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Today I relieved Joshua Schueneman of his duties as an Assistant State Attorney. As a minister of justice, prosecutors have a solemn duty to avoid any action which calls into question their impartiality. The material that was posted on Mr. Schueneman's judicial campaign social media site, regardless of its author and created while Mr. Schueneman was on leave from his employment, violates the high standards of the Office of the State Attorney. As a result, Mr. Schueneman was relieved of his duties.

Although this office has never received any allegation of prosecutorial misconduct by law enforcement, the judiciary, the defense bar, his colleagues, or members of the community, we will be conducting a further review to ensure there was no impropriety.

Ed Brodsky
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